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1. NIE 62-54 has proven to be a generally sound estimate. Several internal developments were not foreseen in detail, including the introduction of the "democratization" program in September 1955 and its effects on the 1957 elections, the downgrading of Phao's strength in 1955 and 1957 and the ascendancy of Sarit.
2. The estimate foresaw the possibility of a Thai reassessment of their foreign policy, although the developments which appear to be bringing it about are somewhat different from the contingencies discussed.